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FM AMEMBASSY DACCA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6318

INFO AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE

C O N F I D E N T I A L DACCA 1673

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ASEC, BG

SUBJECT: ARREST OF DUTCH NATIONAL

REF: (A) DACCA 1559; (B) DACCA 1561

1. DUTCH AMBASSADOR YESTERDAY INFORMED ME HE HAS TWICE SEEN ARRESTED DUTCH NATIONAL, THAT LATTER IS BEING HELD IN ARMY CANTONMENT VILLA RATHER THAN IN JAIL, THAT HE HAS BEEN WELL TREATED AND WAS EVEN COOPERATING ON TRANSLATION OF TAPED HAM BROADCASTS TO REASSURE BDG OF THEIR INNOCENT CONTENT.

2. AMBASSADOR SAID BDG'S CASE, I.E., TRANSMITTING WITHOUT LICENSE, WAS LEGALLY VALID, AND HIS PRINCIPAL QUARREL WAS THAT THEY WERE DRAGGING OUT INQUIRY INTO ALLEGED ESPIONAGE. ASIDE FROM INHERENT BUREAUCRATIC DIFFICULTIES, HE WAS CERTAIN BDG WAS SEEKING TO SET EXAMPLE FOR OTHERS, INCLUDING FOREIGNERS, ALSO KNOWN TO BE VIOLATING BDG LAW PROHIBITING ILLEGAL RADIO TRANSMISSIONS.

3. BECAUSE HE WAS REASONABLY CONFIDENT OF EARLY SETTLEMENT, AMBASSADOR IS RETURNING TO RESIDENT POST (BANGKOK) TODAY LEAVING CASE IN HANDS OF NEW FIRST SECRETARY. NEITHER IS THERE ANY APPARENT INTENTION OF LINKING CURRENT GON-BDG AID TALKS TO RESOLUTION OF THIS ISSUE.

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4. AMBASSADOR URGED NO CONCLUSION BE DRAWN REGARDING POSSIBLE ARBITRARINESS OF BDG. HE REITERATED THAT SINCE NOTIFYING EMBASSY OF MAN'S WHEREABOUTS (ALBEIT SIX DAYS LATE) BDG SECURITY OFFICERS HAVE BEEN HIGHLY COOPERATIVE, AND ADDED THAT COMPARABLE VIOLATION OF DUTCH LAW BY FOREIGNER MIGHT WELL ELICIT SIMILAR HANDLING IN THE HAGUE. NEVERTHELESS, HE ALSO STRESSED HIS HOPE THAT CASE DID NOT HIT THE PRESS UNTIL HIS MAN RELEASED.
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